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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows prior to examination thereof.

In the Specification

At page 1, line 23, change "pseudo" to -- (pseudo) --.

At page 4, line 5, change "flow chart" to -- flowchart --.

At page 4, line 10, change "flow chart" to -- flowchart --.

At page 6, line 14, after "Windows", insert -- operating --.

At page 6, line 21, after "Windows", insert -- operating --

At page 6, line 26, change "powered" to -- turned --.

At page 7, lines 5-6, change "flow chart" to -- flowchart --.

At page 7, line 6, change "flow chart" to -- flowchart --.

At page 8, line 4, change "done" to -- decided --.